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25 'TERRORISTS' CAPTURED IN HERAT PROVINCE

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[Excerpt] Twenty-five terrorists, fear spreaders and mercenaries, bought by imperialism and the region's reaction, were captured yesterday by party activists of command No 17, with the cooperation of the brave and patriotic people of the district of Enjil in Herat.

Party activists of command No 17 and the security forces responsible for social order, with the sincere cooperation of the toiling people of Herat, for the sake of accomplishing the resolutions of the third plenum of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan Central Committee for the total elimination of counter-revolutionary forces, that is, terrorists and fear-spreading bands, have organized their struggles and stated that 25 treacherous and fear-spreading elements were captured with their weapons yesterday in the villages of Shalbafan, Painab and Firozabad in the district of Enjil.

A source in Herat Province, when issuing this report, said that in the encounter with these mercenaries three of them were killed while resisting as a result of an explosion of materials that they were carrying with them.

The source added that two other criminals [word indistinct] and Gholam Rasul, known as the captain [touran], who were leading the group, disguised in female headgear, fled the scene of confrontation. The security forces are searching for them.

The authority of Herat Province expressed satisfaction with the struggle of party activists and the patriotic cooperation of the people of Herat, in discovering the hideouts and capturing the assailants.

SECURITY FORCES KILL 14 'TERRORISTS' IN BAGHLAN

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[Text] Fourteen mercenaries and terrorists in Plikhomri subdistrict, Baghlan Province, who had carried out a series of terrorist raids, were punished two nights ago on roads three and four of the sugar factory by party and security forces.

A source in Baghlan Province said that these mercenaries, who were operating on orders from U.S. imperialism and who were equipped with machineguns and [words indistinct], were eliminated by security forces who recovered one machinegun which was affixed to a car and also three pistols and another American machinegun with 1200 rounds of ammunition.

FOREIGN MINISTER DENOUNCES ISRAELI DECISION ON JERUSALEM

BK311604 Dacca Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 31 Jul 80

[Text] Bangladesh has denounced the legislation by the Israeli parliament declaring Jerusalem as the Jewish state's eternal and undivided capital and called it an outrageous and flagrant violation of the UN resolution on the question.

In a statement in Dacca today, Foreign Minister Prof Mohammad Shamsul Haq said that the illegal Israeli move is a challenge to the international community. He said it is an affront to the sentiments of Muslims and Christians in all parts of the world and all vistas of international law and world opinion.

The foreign minister said Bangladesh rejects such an illegal step by Israel as null and void and reiterates its full support to the UN Security Council resolution which condemned all legislative and administrative measures and action taken by Israel to alter the character and status of the holy city of Jerusalem.

He added: The position of Bangladesh and its commitment regarding Palestine and the holy city of Jerusalem has once against been clearly stated at the recently concluded special session of the UN General Assembly on the issue.

LABOR STRIFE AT MEDICAL COLLEGE REPORTED

BK061720 Dacca Domestic Service in English 1705 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Text] The academic council of Dacca Medical College, meeting today resolved that professional staff, including professors, associate professors, assistant professors and consultants will not be able to perform their duties from tomorrow unless the internee doctors stop their threat of assault.

The council, meeting under the chairmanship of the principal-cum-superintendent of the college, expressed regrets for their painful decision which will cause immense suffering to the patients of the hospital. The council said the professional staff would start performing their duties as soon as the situation improves and normalcy is restored in the hospital campus.

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DPRK PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION--A six-member delegation of the Workers Party of the DPRK arrived in Dacca 1 August on a weeklong visit to Bangladesh. Talking to newsmen at the airport, Kwang Chang-yop, leader of the delegation and chairman of the standing committee of the DPRK People's Assembly, said that the visit of the delegation will strengthen the existing friendly relations between the two countries. [Dacca Overseas Service in English 0445 GMT 2 Aug 80 BK]

IRAQI DONATION--Iraq has donated about 15 million taka as its participation in the establishment of the Islamic university in Bangladesh. The Iraqi ambassador handed over a check to Bangladesh Prime Minister Shah Azizur Rahman in Dacca on 1 August. This is the first contribution from a Muslim country toward the establishment of the Islamic university. [Dacca Overseas Service in English 1230 GMT 1 Aug 80 BK]

GANDHI QUESTIONED ON PAKISTANI BOMB, OTHER ISSUES

BK070936 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0830 GMT 7 Aug 80

[Text] Prime Minister Gandhi told the Rajya Sabha today the government has information about Pakistan's desire to make an atom bomb. Some countries are helping it in this effort. Mrs Gandhi said during question time that she did not know whether it would be an Islamic atom bomb or it would be different or better than other such bombs.

About the arms buildup in Pakistan, she said India has conveyed her point of view and the dangers involved in it to Pakistan Foreign Minister Agha Shahi during his recent visit to India. Mrs Gandhi, however, pointed out that the danger faced by India because of the massive arms supplies to Pakistan is of a much vaster range than what is faced by Pakistan.

Replying to a spate of supplementaries, she said though India has already conveyed its protest to the countries supplying arms to Pakistan and also drawn their attention to the dangers involved in it, no formal protest note has been sent to them. Mrs Gandhi made it clear India cannot sever her relations with those countries which continue to supply arms to Pakistan despite her protest.

Mrs Gandhi in reply to a supplementary agreed that some elements trained in China in the past have been involved in the tensions in our border areas. She said it is also true some of those who were trained earlier are now settled outside India. We have reason to suspect that they do get involved in some of our border tensions. Mrs Gandhi, however, denied any information about the Chinese arms being supplied now to anybody in India.

In a written reply Minister of State for Defense Singh said Pakistan is known to have been acquiring tanks, aircraft, radar, destroyers, different types of guns and other military hardware from a number of countries. This includes the United States, Britain, France and China. He declined to go into further details saying it would not be desirable.

Mrs Gandhi informed the house that the Madras atomic power project at (Kalpakam) is in an advanced stage of construction. In a written reply she said that 98 percent work of the Unit One and 77 percent work of the Unit Two of the project have been completed. Unit One is expected to be commissioned in 1982 and the second unit in 1984.

Reduction of Nuclear Power Capacity

BK061601 Hong Kong AFP in English 0757 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Text] New Delhi, 6 Aug (AFP)--India expected to achieve a nuclear power generation capacity of 860 megawatts by 1980-81, Prime Minister Mrs. Indira Gandhi disclosed in Parliament today.

Mrs. Gandhi, who is concurrently in charge of the Department of Atomic Energy, said the Indian Atomic Energy Commission had originally envisaged a nuclear power capacity of 8,000 megawatts by 1980-81. But this target had to be drastically revised by the commission to 1,240 megawatts due to various difficulties encountered in achieving the desired results, she added.

She said the capacity had to be further cut to 860 mw because of the inability of the infrastructure to cope up with any faster programme, inadequacy of transport to move equipment, need to redesign reactor units as well as embargo imposed by some countries on supply of nuclear equipment to India.

PRESIDENT CALLS FOR CLOSER TIES WITH THAILAND

BK061606 Hong Kong AFP in English 1421 GMT 5 Aug 80

[Text] New Delhi, 5 Aug (AFP)--President Neelam Sanjiva Reddy today underlined the need for further enriching the existing friendly relations and cooperation between India and Thailand.

Mr. Reddy made the remarks while welcoming Thailand's new ambassador, Sombun Rotchanakon, who presented his credentials this morning.

"India and Thailand should constantly endeavour to add vigour and content to their existing relationship of friendship and cooperation," the president said.

Earlier the ambassador spoke of the ancient cultural ties between India and Thailand.

SPOKESMAN EXPLAINS HUANG HUA POSTPONEMENT OF VISIT

BK061537 Delhi ISI Diplomatic Information Service in English 1508 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Text] Chinese Foreign Minister Huang Hua's official visit to India, which was to take place any time after September, will not materialise during this year, reports PTI.

Replying to questions, an External Affairs Ministry spokesman told newsmen on August 6 that the Chinese had stated that their foreign minister's schedule for the rest of the year was "very full with internal and external commitments."

The next party congress of China is scheduled in September after a gap of nearly 10 years. This explains the internal commitment of Huang. On all accounts, the visit seems to be off indefinitely. India had officially indicated to China that the visit of foreign minister might take place any time after September.

Meanwhile, a report from Beijing quoted a Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman as saying that Huang had postponed his planned visit to India in October.

The spokesman gave the reasons of the postponement of the visit as a "rather tight schedule" of the Chinese foreign minister. The spokesman said it was essential to look at the reported postponement of Huang's visit to India in terms of the chronological perspective. The Chinese sure had suggested that alternative dates might be discussed later after conveying that the foreign minister's schedule for the rest of the year was full with internal and external commitments.

Referring to a report that the Chinese response was in some way linked with India's decision to establish diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of Kampuchea, the spokesman said "it is well know that India and China have different views on the Kampuchean situation as, indeed, on many other international issues.

It is, however, the Government of India's view that normalisation of Sino-Indian relations does not require the identity of approach on all issue," the spokesman added.

Similarly, the spokesman said, the Chinese, while describing India's decision on Kampuchea as being exceptionally regrettable, have during the recent discussions with our new ambassador in Beijing expressed the hope that regardless of differences, Sino-Indian relations would continue to develop. This view was expressed at the senior officials levels in the Chinese Foreign Ministry. It was stated by the Chinese side that though India and China might have different views on some question they should continue to develop bilateral relations and mutual understanding.

In light of the official explanation given by the Chinese side, the spokesman said the Government of India will now await further communication from the Chinese Government for determining mutually convenient dates for a visit of their foreign minister.

Former External Affairs [Minister] A.B. Vajpayee visited China in February last year at the invitation of the Chinese Government. Vajpayee extended the invitation to the Chinese counterpart to pay a return visit.

The spokesman said that since Mrs Gandhi's assumption of office India received a repeated indication from the Chinese side that Huang, in line with the policy of normalisation, would like to visit India. The invitation was renewed when secretary of the External Affairs Ministry Eric Gonsalves visited Beijing in June. But dates were to be finalised through diplomatic channels.

POLICE CRUSH REVOLT OF KASHMIRI SECESSIONISTS

BK070653 Hong Kong AFP in English 0630 GMT 7 Aug 80

[Text] New Delhi, 7 Aug (AFP)--The Indian police in a night-long swoop arrested 24 Moslem leaders in the Jammu and Kashmir state last night and apparently crushed a well organised revolt aimed at secession from the Indian union, published reports said today.

Leaders of the fanatic Jam'iat-e Eslami and its militant youth wing Jam'iat-e Tulaba had announced plans Tuesday [5 August] to launch "an Iran-type revolution for the liberation of Kashmir from illegal occupation and enslavement by India."

The federal and the state government took strong objections to the utterances of the Moslem leaders and ordered the police to go into action, the reports quoting well informed sources said.

Meanwhile, the federal Interior Ministry issued instructions to immigration authorities at all entry points not to allow participants to a 4-day international convention scheduled to begin in Srinagar, capital of the Indian-held Kashmir state called by the organisations to highlight their cause. The participants are expected from Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, Iran, Bangladesh and other Moslem countries.

The spokesman for the organisations, meanwhile, claimed that at least 110 leaders and workers were arrested by the police from different parts of the Kashmir valley.

Police sources, however, admitted that they have arrested only 24 leaders and were looking for the remaining who have gone underground to evade arrests.

The president of the Jam'iat-e Tulaban, Sheikh Tajamul Islam, meanwhile announced that they would go ahead with the conference plan. From a secret hideout Mr Islam told newsmen that at least 10,000 Moslem youth from different parts of India and some delegates from Moslem countries would take part in the conference.

Giving details of the proposed "Iran-type revolution," Mr Islam said that his organization had already started preparing the minds of the Moslems of Kashmir to launch the revolution. "We have taken pledge to liberate Kashmiris from Indian occupation and subjugation," he said.

He claimed that the Moslem Kashmiri youths had never recognized themselves to "the imaginary theory that Kashmir is an integral part of India." "It is not, and we will prove that we do not subscribe to this phoney theory."

Mr Islam said that given the option, the majority of Kashmiris would accede to Pakistan and not to India and demanded that a United Nations supervised plebiscite should be held for a "peaceful settlement" of their demands.

Mr Islam announced that his organization has written letters to Iranian religious leader Ayatollah Khomeyni, President Bani-Sadr and Ayatollah Beheshti for blessings.

Mr Islam, however, discounted apprehensions that his organization was contemplating armed struggle to achieve their objective. "We are preparing our people...once we succeed, they will automatically rise against their illegal occupation. Our organization welcomes support from other Moslem countries and we hope we will get in."

The total area of the Jammu and Kashmir state is 222,870 square kms and according to Indian statistics Pakistan is "occupying" 84,112 square km. The state has a population of about 5 million, with the Moslems accounting for about 3.5 million.

Before the partition of India in 1947, the state was ruled by a Hindu king, who decided to accede to the Indian Union when the offer was made to all princely states by the British to either join India or Pakistan.

Since the majority of the Moslems were not happy over the decision, the matter was referred to the United Nations General Assembly by the first Indian prime minister, the late Jawaharlal Nehru, but till today the issue has remained undecided.

BRIEFS

HEPATITIS, GASTROENTERITIS DEATH TOLL--New Delhi, 3 Aug (AFP)--Thirty-one persons had been killed by hepatitis and another by gastroenteritis in the flood-hit Janpur town of north Indian Uttar Pradesh during the last few days, official reports reaching here said today. Four other cases of gastroenteritis had also been reported in hospitals during the same period. Reports said the floods had contaminated the drinking water supply sources in the town creating a fresh health-hazard for the inhabitants. [Text] [Hong Kong AFP in English 1515 GMT 3 Aug 80 BK]

HAQ DEPARTS FOR 2-DAY VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA

BK070609 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 0600 GMT 7 Aug 80

[Text] President General Mohammad Ziaul Haq left Islamabad this morning on a 2-day visit to Saudi Arabia. The president will perform religious rites at Mecca tonight. Tomorrow, he will go to holy Medina where he will offer prayers at the prophet's mosque.

OIL EXPLORATION MEMORANDUM SIGNED WITH U.S. FIRM

GF061850 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 1500 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Text] In Islamabad today, the Pakistani Government signed a memorandum of understanding with an American oil drilling company, an oil and gas development corporation and two Pakistani oil companies for petroleum concessions in the Potwar area.

According to the memorandum, the American company will drill an exploratory well within the first year of the concession period to test the depth of oil reserves in the 120 sq mile area to be set aside for exploration purposes.

Meanwhile, the visiting chairman of the American oil company called on Mr Ghulam Ishaq Khan, finance and coordination minister and deputy chairman of the planning commission, in Islamabad today and discussed investment opportunities in the energy research sector, including offshore exploration.

AFGHAN OLYMPIC TEAM DEFECTORS ARRIVE IN PESHAWAR

OW052119 Paris AFP in English 2108 GMT 5 Aug 80

[Text] Islamabad, 5 Aug (AFP)--Five defectors from Afghanistan's contingent to the Moscow Olympics have arrived in Pakistan, Afghan rebel sources said. The same sources said that all five had defected before the contingent's departure for Moscow, but took some time to reach the Pakistani border city of Peshawar because of the war situation in Afghanistan.

They said two of the defectors, students Abdul Hayee and Mohammad Anwar, belonged to the five-member national boxing team and the other three, wrestlers Haji Behman, Mohammad Sadiq and Mirza Gul, were chosen from among the stand-bys after the earlier defections of seven members from the Afghan wrestling team. The two boxers said they walked for fourteen days through the troubled Panjsher area before entering Pakistan's Chitral region.

BRIEFS

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT--The provincial development working committee in Sind has approved the allocation of 100 million rupees for agricultural development in southern (Rohri). In its Karachi session today, the committee also approved three plans for road construction. [Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 1500 GMT 3 Aug 80 GF]

CHINESE ENGINEERS TEAM--A 15-member Chinese team of engineers arrived in Islamabad on 1 August to install machinery for the Naushera sheet glass factory project. The factory is expected to go into operation by January next year with a production capacity of 60 tons of sheet glass per day. This would meet the entire needs of Pakistan. [Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 0100 GMT 2 Aug 80 BK]

DEVELOPMENTS IN SITUATION WITH STUDENTS IN U.S.

Tehran Comment on Release

LD061430 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0930 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Station commentary]

[Text] At last, after 10 days, the savage police of Washington and the ruthless and cruel police of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service retreated against the brave struggles of our beloved sisters and brothers and released them.

Yesterday, on the 10th day of the Muslim Iranian student arrest by the fascist U.S. police, one of the imprisoned brothers was at the point of death as his breathing had stopped several times. The police and the prison's doctors rushed to the bed of our brother and tried to revive him with oxygen and other means. The other imprisoned brothers, learning of the incident, extolled martyrdom and started chanting slogans. Chaos resulted and in that chaos some other brothers became unconscious. The [words indistinct] prison police became severely embarrassed and found no alternative but to release all the students unconditionally. The police intended not to release one of the brothers as his visa records were ambigious. However, they were confronted with resumed resistance by the brothers and sisters and were forced to release him as well.

The released brothers and sisters were immediately transferred to the New York Islamic center and underwent medical examinations by a team of Iranian doctors who had been prepared by the Islamic societies. The condition of one of the brothers is not satisfactory. The others are weak physically but their morale is high. Their loud cries of "God is great" could be heard while they were leaving prison.

The hunger strike in front of the White House in Washington is continuing. The brothers and sisters of the Islamic society have announced that they will continue their hunger strike until the release of their jailed brothers who have been arrested in San Diego, California and in London on charges of supporting these beloved students.

The students have announced that some of the released prisoners will take sanctuary in front of the UN building or they will go on a new hunger strike, so as to expose the shocking actions that the police of America, this so-called civilized country, have imposed upon them.

The brothers and sisters jailed in San Diego, California, in the preliminary court, which was held yesterday, refused to reveal their names. They are still captives in the hands of the American executioners and they continue their hunger strike. The brothers and sisters of the Islamic society of the students in America and Canada, and Muslims from other countries who believe in the line of Imam Khomeyni are preparing for the Jerusalem Day demonstrations, in order to hold these demonstrations in as glorious way as possible. One of the places intended for Jerusalem Day demonstrations is the city of Washington.

Pledge of Further Sitins

LD061912 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1010 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Excerpts] Statement No 10 of the Islamic society of students in the United States and Canada, in connection with the demonstrations and the arrests on Sunday, 27 July, in Washington, has been issued, as follows:

In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. To the Muslim, militant nation of Iran:

With the sound of every whip of bloodsucking U.S. imperialism which, with every beating upon the resilient bodies of our Muslim, militant sisters and brothers, digs another hole (?in its grave) with its own [word indistinct] and bloodstained hands, the calls from the hearts filled with the love of God and the tied tongues of our beloved ones are being raised.

The call of "God is great," raised by these beloved ones in the heart of blasphemy, and the orderly row of their prayers which, like (?a dagger), sits in the bloody eyes of these ungodly people and in their black and rotten hearts, remind us of the heavenly resistance of the crusaders of the early days of Islam, who became an object of ridicule and curses of those who had appeared in the guise of humanity, and who, with their patience and martyrdom, irrigated the plant of Islam. The persistent and continuous struggle of our sisters and brothers has delivered such a mighty blow upon the empty brains of the bosses of the black palace that it has inflicted an unprecedented giddiness and astonishment. The mighty words of the imam of the nation and the unstinting support of you, struggling and militant nation, has multiplied their giddiness a hundredfold, so much so that they have been forced to withdraw all the accusations they had leveled against the chained students and to release them after 10 days of bondage from their medieval jails. Immediately after being released from jails, our sisters and brothers went to the Islamic center of New York and were given a medical examination and care by a team of Iranian doctors who had been brought to that place by the Islamic society of the students.

The self-confidence produced as the result of dependence upon God has left such a profound and constructive effect upon the souls of our released sisters and brothers that the weakness produced by the hunger strike and the savage torture inflicted in the jail were overshadowed. On their pale faces, the light of determination shone like a brilliant sun and gave warmth and hope to those who watched them.

In the continuation of our struggles our hope lies in Almighty God and in the continuation of your support, vigilant Iranian nation. Therefore, we shall continue our [word indistinct] in front of the black palace and a group of us will take part in a sitin in front of the UN building.

Although the release of 196 of our sisters and brothers is a great victory for us and for the Muslim nation and is a shameful defeat for criminal America, nevertheless, America should know that releasing these beloved ones from jail will have no effect on our incessant struggle against imperialism and international Zionism. We will not forget the savage behavior of the fascist U.S. police. Our brothers have been tortured in the medieval jails of America and have been crippled. These savages tore the veils from the heads of our sisters and insulted the holy person of our imam. We will not cease until we have completely exposed this mother of corruption of the century. We are confident that the noble Iranian nation will not forget the savage behavior of America, either.

At the moment, 27 of our sisters and brothers who took part in the hunger strike in San Diego in California in support of the chained strugglers have been put in chains in U.S. jails.

Our brothers in Europe have been wounded at the hands of the criminal UK police and their injured bodies have been thrown in London's dungeons. How can we witness all these crimes and savagery and remain silent in face of it all?

O Muslim nations, arise and take the revenge for your children on history's criminals. Greetings be upon those who follow guidance. Greetings to Imam Khomeyni, the true leader of the oppressed people of the world. Long may the bloodstained flag of the Islamic Revolution flutter. Death to the great Satan, the world-devouring imperialism, America and its agents.

[Signed] The Islamic society of students in the United States and Canada, 6 August 1980

Effect of Release on U.S. Hostages

NC061138 Paris AFP in English 1132 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Text] Tehran, Aug. 6 (AFP)--The case of the 192 Iranian student demonstrators jailed in the United States and then released, might have an effect on the 52 American hostages in Iran "before and after their trial," Supreme Court President Ayatollah Mohammad Beheshti said today.

He added that arrest of the students after a demonstration in Washington ten days ago and their release late yesterday, would have no influence on the trial itself of the hostages, implying he was sure they would actually be put on trial.

Some 50 Iranians who had been demonstrating outside the papal nuncio's residence here for 36 hours cancelled an ultimatum to the Vatican and ended their sit-in after learning the students had been freed.

The demonstrators, members of the Islamic textile association, had threatened to take violent action unless the pope intervened on behalf of the jailed students by 1 p.m. today (0830 GMT).

"We are ending our sit-in now that America is on its knees and has submitted to the will of our brothers and sisters by halting the torture and freeing the students," the demonstrators said in a statement.

Meanwhile, Iranian National Bank Governor Ali Reza Nobari announced that the bank is now seeking to recover 32 billion dollars from the late shah's estate.

"We estimate that the shah's wealth and property abroad amounts to 20 billion," Mr. Nobari said. Recovering this money would depend on the atmosphere in Western countries, he commented.

Ayatollah Beheshti said the committee assigned to select a premier had still not made a choice and that 13 candidates were still in the running.

AYATOLLAH KHOMEYNI ISSUES JERUSALEM DAY STATEMENT

LD061320 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0930 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Statement by Ayatollah Ruhollah Mosavi Khomeyni marking Jerusalem day--recorded, duration 33 minutes, time and place not specified]

[Text] In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful: Muslims should keep alive Jerusalem Day. Israel would not be satisfied with the territories it has usurped. And now it has chosen Jerusalem as its capital. All those things from America, from human rights supporters and from those assemblies and bodies abroad--all these are denying and denouncing what Israel has done, but this is not a serious problem [as heard]. How is it possible that Israel decides to make Jerusalem its capital while America opposes it? America is not seriously opposed to Jerusalem being the capital of Israel. They are also in league with the superpowers. All these circles, such as the human rights--they are united hand-in-hand. And they are all united to exploit us, exploit Muslims and the people of Asia and Africa. Nevertheless, the Muslim nations do not learn and they do not rise against such collusion.

You should look at America's barbaric treatment of our dear youngsters, these girls and boys, these dear students, and at the resistance they displayed in response. They stood with clenched fists against all the forces which were present, the police force and the security organizations. They put up with all that use of force, those crimes by America, but they did not surrender. Muslim countries must learn a lesson from and emulate these Iranian youngsters abroad--in England, in Europe, in America. We have lost hope of reaction from Islamic governments. It is the nations who should know the truth. These Islamic nations should learn a lesson from the way our youth reacted to the crimes of America and, recently, to that of Britain. If any reaction was shown in a country, it came from the Iranian youths--occasionally also from youths of other Muslim countries. But the Islamic nations themselves failed to show much reaction. This is because we, the Muslim nations, did not learn Islam's teachings. Islam requires that all Muslims be united, not in discord. If you have discord (?you will be in danger) and your (?voice will be silenced). Unfortunately, despite the fact that we can see [words indistinct] within our own ranks.

The governments of Islamic states--which I cannot regard as Islamic governments, for how can I describe the Iraqi Government as an Islamic government, how can I regard the Egyptian Government as an Islamic government? These governments which are in Islamic countries are making bases in their own countries against Islam. They are making bases for America to fight against the nation of Iran. These bases are used against the Muslim nation of Iran, which is facing America and the Soviet Union. How can we regard people such as As-Sadat, who invited America to have a base in Egypt to attack Iran, an Islamic country, as a Muslim? How can we regard Iraq, the Iraqi Government, as Muslim, while it is constantly sending arms to Iran and attacking Iran and is working for America. The point is that even the Soviet Union has been duped by America. The Soviet Union is currently giving aid to Iraq while Iraq is working for America. Iraq is receiving aid from the Soviet Union in order to harm Iran and to open the way for America, not for the Soviet Union. So even the Soviet Union is playing into the hands of America. The Soviets are giving the Iraqis arms to work in the interests of America. But the Soviets think that the arms they supply will serve their own interests, while it is not so.

At any rate, if Muslims become united, achieve unity of expression, there will be no such problems as that of Jerusalem or that of Afghanistan or any other problem which might arise against Muslims elsewhere.

How long must the nations and Muslims remain negligent? Why do these nations not rise against these superpowers? Iran rose. It is more than 2 or 3 years now since the uprising which all the powers opposed. But nevertheless, Iran is standing on its feet and does not pay attention to the noise made by other countries, and has paralyzed all their plots. The coup in which all the governments nearby and all the big powers had a hand could do nothing. Why? Because the matter concerns the nation. If it was the shah's government it could be achieved immediately. If America wanted to do it, it could do it right away. However, the matter is related to the nation.

The situation in Iran is not one in which the nation is separate from the government. It is not like the situation in Iraq where the government is facing a nation that is its enemy, or like the government of Egypt, which is resented by the people. Here we have an Islamic government, and the nation agrees with its government. For this reasons any plot will be tackled by the nation itself. It is the soldiers themselves who uncover and neutralize plots hatched in barracks. It is the Islamic Revolution Guards who are working to neutralize plots. It is the nation itself that is watchful in all respects and finds these criminals in various parts of the country and the nation and arrests these criminals and surrenders them to the authorities. If the fear created by the superpowers in the hearts of various nations is compared with the fear which they created for the nation of Iran, they will realize that there are still threats against the nation of Iran, but the people of Iran pay no attention to such problems. If they realize the meaning of the nation's support for the government concerned and if the government belongs to the nation and is considered part of the nation; if the ideas were Islamic and if the nations which believe in Islam were united with one another, then they would realize that none of the other governments can do anything, as they could do nothing in Iran. Recently, two or three times they have tried to stage a coup in Iran but they have failed and they are still trying. But we are confident and I assure our nation that the foreign powers can do nothing. The nation should bear in mind that as long as it is relying upon God, relying upon Islam, it is serving Islam. No one can harm it unless they forget these facts. This Islamic principle must be safeguarded by everyone.

These nationalists [word indistinct] have had disputes among themselves, too. These various groups and factions in Iran who constantly espouse the cause of the masses have a hand in these matters [presumably antiregime activities]. These very people who espouse the cause of the masses describe our youngsters as reactionary. What sort of people are they? They do one thing at home and another thing abroad. Why do the people not wake up and uproot them? Unless an Islamic government in the fullest sense of the word--a government committed to the Islamic commands, a government divorced from "Westoxication," a government following the path of Islam--unless such a government comes to power we will continue to have all these problems. The Majles, with all the power at its disposal, which is greater than all other powers--and it is the obligation of all Muslims to support the government--and the nation should especially support the Majles. [sentence as heard]

Efforts must be made in every respect so that those who come to office--the prime minister, other ministers and all those in charge of major posts--are selected from among Muslim, committed persons who take notice of what is taking place in the world within the context of Islam. They should be dedicated to the Islamic school. This school is of paramount importance to us. It is a mistake to criticize the school it is our aim to guard the school. It is because of our school that our Muslims are so powerful and able to stand against others. If other Islamic countries preserve their school, the school of Islam; if they safeguard the school of Islam they may rest assured that no other power can harm them.

If we do not safeguard our nations, which is one of our school's teachings, to be united with one another, any group or individual who says something against his friend will have departed from the school and [words indistinct].

If the Majles were to weaken another body or another body were to weaken the Majles, if the government were to weaken the Majles or the Majles were to weaken the government; if the president were to weaken the Majles or the Majles were to weaken the president--all this would be contrary to the school of Islam, would be in opposition to Islam. These gentlemen who say they are Islamic should manifest the substance of this in their words, their actions, their sermons and lectures, in their writings, in their newspapers. What sort of Islam is it in which we have one newspaper hurling insults at another. What sort of answer can I give to the people in the bazaar of Tehran who are criticizing the ministers and the Majles? Why should there be any disputes between the Majles and the president? What are the causes of people's complaints? I am advising you. I advise you from the standpoint of Islam not to have discord between each other. If you have discord you will open the way for others [presumably regime's opponents]. You should not have discord among yourselves. Why do you have discord? (?Why is it that) you have so much discord amongst yourselves? Did the people sacrifice their youngsters only to see you now wallowing in discord, attacking one another, causing trouble? You should be comradely and friendly with one another. You should be brotherly with one another.

Mr President should select and introduce those who would be useful to our Islamic society, to our school. Whether a prime minister or others, they should enshrine all the qualities I have described. But the highest quality lies in being committed to the school. He should first of all think of Islam. The prime minister chosen by the president must be a person who is thinking in terms of promoting and strengthening Islam and the prime minister should be thinking of raising the question of Afghanistan [piadeh kardan-e Afghanistan]. They should be seeking to strengthen Islam. They should endeavor to implement the Islamic precepts. They should not come from among those who would seek to revive nationalism. Those who say they want to implement nationalism are opposed to Islam. Islam has come to eliminate these irrelevant ideas. Nationalist individuals are of no use to us. Muslim individuals are useful to us. Islam is opposed to nationalism. The meaning of nationalism is that a person wants the nation and nationalism, but not Islam. The man [Bakhtiar] said abroad: First of all I am Iranian, a moderate, I am strongly Iranian, and then I am a Muslim in the third place [as heard]. This is not Islam. Which part of Islam are you?

Gentlemen, you should pay attention. The whole of Islam should pay attention. Jerusalem Day is such a day that all the Muslim nations should pay attention and keep this day alive. If an uproar should arise from all the Islamic nations on the last Friday of the holy month [Ramadan] which is Jerusalem Day, and if all nations rise, if they carry out these demonstrations and these marches, it will be a beginning so that, God willing, they can halt these corrupt people [presumably referring to Israelis] and so they may eradicate them from the Islamic lands. But the Muslims show weakness; the Muslim nations remain indifferent; they show little interest in these affairs; they do not demonstrate sufficient concern for these issues. When Israel sees that there are differences among the nations and that the Egyptian Government is collaborating with them and is like their brother, and that Iraq is also a brother to them, they proceed step by step. You should know for sure that if you do not show strength they will even proceed as far as the Euphrates and they will make this area their property. You should stand firm against them. If the Muslims, the Muslim nations, stand against them and if their governments wish to oppose them they should deliver a blow to the mouth of Mohammad Reza. Mohammad Reza was more powerful than any other Muslim government and he had greater support than any of them.

Nevertheless, our nation rose up and made Islam its goal, shouted "God is great" and destroyed this power and other powers as well. Even if all the powers combine they will not be able to harm such a nation. We have such a nation, such a sincere and good nation, that it always supports its government, its president and its Majles. It would be sad if the feelings of such a nation were hurt, so that its members became hostile towards one another. That would please neither God nor the nation. The nation is not happy with this.

Control your newspapers. (?The people should stop these newspapers. It is wrong for us to read the newspapers and see the things which they have written). No, it is not right. You should see what is written in these newspapers. The gentlemen who are in the Majles and the gentlemen who are not in the Majles should read the newspapers and see that they are busy creating mischief. They are busy creating discord between the government and the president, between the Majles and the president, between the president and the Majles. A conspiracy has arisen in the newspapers and the gentlemen themselves should put an end to it before the nation puts an end to it, before the nation itself comes and ruthlessly suppresses all these newspapers.

In the Majles, too, all the gentlemen should be united. They should be friends. All of them are Muslims. All of them should be one another's friends.

All Muslims should be like one hand. There should not be so much difference between them in the Majles. They should have regard for religious considerations. They should have regard for moral considerations. To tell tales behind each other's back will cause displeasure among the Muslims. The people are saying we have given the blood of our youth. The cemeteries in the provinces are full of young people who were killed for the sake of the country, for the sake of Islam. They were killed and these gentlemen have now come from within the country or from abroad and now they are busy fighting among themselves. What are you fighting over? This is not an inheritance left to you from any of your fathers. Be quiet and pay attention to the issues. Whenever any of you makes a speech it should not be against another one. This is contrary to Islamic manners. It is contrary to Islamic customs. It is contrary to humanity. It is contrary to the role of the prophets and saints. Do not do such things. Be quiet instead. Put selfish desires aside. Put aside the desire to become famous. All our difficulties stem from carnal desires. The greatest enemy of man is his carnal desire. Stem this desire.

May God Almighty grant us success so that one day we may pray in Jerusalem. Muslims should attach importance Jerusalem Day. On Jerusalem Day, the last Friday of the holy month, all the Muslim countries should hold demonstrations, gatherings and meetings, they should go to the mosques and shout in the mosques. If 1 billion people shout, Israel will not be able [words indistinct]. If all the Muslims who now exist in the world and who number about 1 billion leave their homes on Jerusalem Day and shout "death to America, death to Israel and death to the Soviet Union" merely by calling "death to the Soviet Union" they will bring death to them [as heard]. There are 1 billion people, they have vast resources, and other governments are in need of those resources. Nevertheless, they create differences among you. They make you oppose one another and they take your resources and yet you say nothing.

The non-Iranian nations should take a lesson from Iran and should learn a lesson from this dear, noble nation of mine. They should take a lesson from these young people who are in America, in England, in Western countries, who demonstrate and who stand up to the police. They put them under locks and chain, yet they shout and ask for their rights.

We should be moved and should learn from these youths who shout for the sake of Islam while most nations are indifferent. They are shouting for Islam, and here we oppose one another. This is not right, it is inappropriate.

May God bestow success upon all of you and upon all Muslims so that they may become like one hand. May God especially bestow success upon the Iranian nation and may he bestow success upon these organizations which exist in the government, in the Majles and in other places so that they may reach understanding and be united, so that this nation is not harmed. If harm is done it will bring shame upon us as well as upon the government and the leaders. We will be shamed both in this world and in the world to come. Beware, rise for the sake of God. Be quiet for the sake of God. Be enduring for the sake of God. For the sake of God some people should not say that there is a conspiracy against me. This foreign conspiracy is not directed against individuals. Individuals are not worthy of a conspiracy. The conspiracy is against Islam. Individuals are not important enough for America may engage in a conspiracy against some person or (?plan a coup) against some other person. America understands the issue. America is against Islam. It has been harmed by Islam, not by individuals, not by persons. America has been slapped in the face by Islam. It has been slapped in the face by a nation which is calling for Islam. It has not been slapped by me or by the president or by deputies and ministers in the Majles. It has not been slapped by us. It has been slapped by these slum dwellers. It has been slapped by the nation. It it is hatching conspiracies, it is doing so against the nation. It is not conspiring against me or against you. It is not as you imagine. Do not boast so much. It is a mistake.

Man should turn his attention toward God and should proceed according to Shi'a ideology; not according to my ideology. When you talk, do not speak of my ideology. Speak of the prophets. Learn from the saints of God who always followed the school, not themselves. They had no regard for the world or for themselves, saying that I did this and I did that. No, they were not concerned with such things. You should learn from them and become human. A man becomes human when he regards himself as nothing and sees God in everything so that he is whatever he sees. To God belongs all there is on earth and in the sky, for God is the creator of everything on earth and in the universe. All power belongs to him and all forces are his and everything is from him. We should admit that if the Muslims realize that we are from God and should be for God they will no longer be harmed. Israel will no longer be able to advance. We should work hard to ensure that Israel is driven out of the Arab lands and so that progress is made over Jerusalem. We should not be deceived by these assemblies which they have organized and which they use in order to plunder us. Muslims themselves should rise against these plunderers. They should not expect their governments to do anything. Their governments will do nothing. They should do things themselves. They should not think that we should go to one person in order to be protected from another. All of them are robbers and all of them will devour you. You should protect yourselves. You should turn your attention to God, to Islam, and rise for the sake of God and for the sake of Islam. God willing, you will be victorious. Greetings upon you.

Majles Response

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[Text] In a message issued in response to the imam's statement today, the deputies to the Islamic Consultative Assembly harkened the call of the imam to the Islamic nation with hearts brimming with love for the sincerity of the imam. The text of the message is as follows:

In the name of allah, the compassionate, the merciful: O great Imam, O illustrious leader and glorious founder of the Islamic Republic of Iran, we heard your life-giving message an hour ago, a message which, like your other messages, lessons and gudelines in the past, has granted us a new life and vitality. And the illuminating and substantial counsels of that illustrious authority of our faith, whose path should be followed, shed a divine light on our road and the fragrance of the holy virtures of the Koran and the guidelines of the sacred Imams--may God's peace be upon all of them--as spoken by our great leader performed our very senses and soul.

O dear Imam, from our viewpoint you are not considered to be a political leader, but rather you are our authoritative source to be followed and the vicar of our just and hidden imam [the 12th imam] and a guardian to whom obedience is mandatory. Your (?delicate sentiments), which are brimming with your love and affection, are just as sweet to us as your prophetic counsels and guidelines, which have always been a succour to us along our path. We do not know how to thank Almighty God, who in these circumstances, has graciously granted us the favor of a leader in our midst who is the best possible example of a perfect man of the era in whose being we detect glimpses of the qualities of our pure leaders.

We feel that the best way to show our gratitude for this great blessing is to enjoy his gifts. Therefore, through this letter we once again renew our past oath of allegiance and our undertaking to remain steadfast in our intent to choose dedicated, decisive officials who follow the school of Islam and manage affairs wisely and, as in the past, we consider ourselves committed to act in accordance with the behest to refrain from weakening the legitimate and esteemed authorities and structures in the country.

Though in the past the Islamic Consultative Assembly took care not to take a single step contrary to that behest, it welcomes with great enthusiasm the leader's reminders and guidelines in those instances which contravene this behest and--God forbid--have either been noticed in the Majles or would be noticed in the future.

The imam of the Islamic nation shows better than anybody else that the first Islamic Consultative Assembly, which is by his own confirmation the strongest structure in the country and necessitates the greatest support from the people, has been subjected to a string of conspiracies and plots by counterrevolutionaries both within and without the country. For this reason the imam sagaciously calls on us to refrain from unreasonable squabbles and from any action which might be construed as a weak point for a dedicated Muslim human being or which might become an obstacle across the path of monolitihic unity and sincerity among the deputies. We heartily accept this fatherly advice and beseech the compassionate God to grant us success in carrying out the momentous tasks which we hae undertaken in front of God, the imam and the nation.

[Signed] The Islamic Consultative Assembly

BANI-SADR ADDRESSES WORKERS AT GILAN TIMBER COMPLEX

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[Text] According to a Central News Bureau report, Dr Seyyed Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, the president of our country, accompanied by the ministers of commerce, labor and social affairs, the supervisor of the Interior Ministry and by a group of state personalities, arrived in Rasht at 1615 today in order to inaugurate Gilan's vast timber and paper complex at Chuka.

At Rasht airport Mr Abolhasan Bani-Sadr was welcomed by the governor-general of Gilan, the revolution public prosecutor, the commanders of the gendarmerie, the navy, the guards corps, the police and administrative heads in Gilan Province. After the official welcoming ceremony, Mr Bani-Sadr and his entourage left Rasht by helicopter for the timber and paper complex.

According to a PARS NEWS AGENCY dispatch, the president, after his visit to the timber and paper complex, addressed a meeting of the mill's workers and said: This mill is the fourth large factory in Iran to be commissioned by our efficient youth and Iranian workers and engineers at a time when we are being subjected to an economic blockade. This endeavour by our workers is tantamount to a jihad following God's path, a jihad which cannot be emulated. No moment can be more glorious, beautiful and gladdening than this when we see with our own eyes the results and fruits of our labors. Despite the foreign specialislts it had employed, this mill was idle for 2 years. But now, thanks to your efforts, dear workers, it has been commissioned. It is my hope that with such high spirits you will continue to remain fearless of obstacles and problems and that every day we will witness the inauguration of a new factory and new production and the innovation of something beautiful.

I know that there are many problems. But just as you have commissioned such a great new factory through to your unity, so should you also join hands and banish discord. For if you join hands and hearts, all the enemy's hopes will be frustrated. With every factory that is commissioned, a powerful blow is dealt to imperialism.

TEHRAN REPORTS 6 AUG MAJLES OPEN SESSION PROCEEDINGS

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[Excerpts] The Majles held an open session this morning presided over by its speaker, Hojjat ol-Eslam Hashemi-Rafsanjani. After the chanting of verses from the holy Koran, a debate was held on the report of the investigating commission regarding the credentials of (Fatollah Omid-Najafabadi), the deputy for Esfahan. The report was approved by a vote of 117 to 31 with 35 abstentions.

According to our correspondent, at today's open session--which began immediately after a closed session and which included juristconsults and lawyers of the Council of Guardians--the Council of Ministers Report regarding the numerical composition of the 28 Majles commissions was debated and approved. The minimum number of members for each commission will be 7 and the maximum 11.

At the end of today's open session, Hojjat ol-Eslam Hashemi-Rafsanjani, after announcing that the Majles would hold a closed session at 1500 today, said: At tomorrow's open session, which will begin at 0900, Foreign Minister Sadeq Qotezadeh will answer deputies' questions.

NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION MEETS 6 AUG

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[Text] According to a PARS NEWS AGENCY dispatch, the National Security Commission held a 3-hour session this morning in the presence of Dr Seyyed Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, the president of the republic and commander in chief of the armed forces. During this session, which was also attended by a number of governors general, overall questions of the country's security were discussed.

PROSECUTOR GENERAL SPEAKS ON UNREST IN COUNTRY

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[Text] According to the PARS NEWS AGENCY, Ayatollah Musavi Ardebili, the prosecutor general of the country, today, in answer to a question concerning why attacks on groups and government departments usually take place under the hold name of Islam and the effect of these activities on the course of the revolution, stated: All acts of disorder which undermine security and flout the principles of the constitution and the clear teachings of Islam will result in irreparable harm to the revolution.

In answer to a question concerning the occupation of departments and the offices of various groups, what factors cause this problem to arise at the present juncture and what measures have been taken in order to prevent the repetition of such incidents, he said: A number of speeches and instigations, the fertile grounds for such actions, the eagerness of the people to improve matters and perhaps many other factors have led to such events.

A correspondent of the PARS NEWS AGENCY asked the prosecutor general: Among those who attack government organizations and groups one can usually see famous revolutionary individuals. What is your view concerning these individuals? Will the matter be pursued or not?

Ayatollah Musavi Ardebili answered: The matter will be followed up. To us it is not important who attacks. What is important is what is being done. Is it or is it not in the interest of the Islamic Revolution?

In answer to a question concerning the conditions under which groups and parties can function according to the Constitution, Ayatollah Musavi Ardebili said: Healthy political activity, free of any kind of conspiracy and incitement. Of course, these groups should prove that they are responsible by obeying the orders of the government and adhering to the laws of the country.

In conclusion, the prosecutor general added: (?Compromise) with groups is in the line of the imam. Attacking them is not in the line of the imam.

BEHESHTI MEETS WITH HUNGER STRIKERS AT IMAM HOSEYN MOSQUE

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[Text] According to a report by the PARS NEWS AGENCY, following the sitin and hunger strike of a group of brothers and sisters students in Imam Hoseyn mosque, in support of the Iranian students, members of the Islamic students society in America, who are in the claws of the savage police of America, six sisters are in a coma and the rest of the brothers and sisters, who are fasting, break their fasts only with tea and drinks.

This report states that at yesterday's meeting, which had been arranged by the students, about 16 deputies of the Islamic Consultative Assembly were present, among whom Mohammad (Fazel), the deputy for Babol, and Dr Mohammad 'Ali Hadi, the deputy for Tehran (?were present).

Based on this report Dr Mohammad Beheshti, the head of the Supreme Court of the country, who was also present at this meeting, talked with the brothers and the sisters and broke his fast with these who had fasted.

LOCAL GROUPS PREPARE FOR JERUSALEM DAY ACTIVITIES

Organizing Staff Statement

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[Text] The text of the second message by the organizing staff of Jerusalem Day activities is as follows:

"Jerusalem Day is the day of Islam's deliverance, and Muslims should (?awaken)," Imam Khomeyni.

On the eve of the second anniversary of Jerusalem Day, the activities organizing staff draws the attention of devoted brothers and sisters to the following points:

All Islamic organizations, groups and committees should use all possible means available to observe Jerusalem Day.

Brothers and sisters of religious minorities are requested to assist us, as they have in the past, in carrying out this important task, since Jerusalem belongs to all religions. Telephone No 51014 is at your disposal from 0900 to 1800, and any questions, proposals, slogans or articles will be welcomed.

Shiraz Education Department

GF061916 Shiraz Domestic Service in Persian 1400 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Text] On the eve of Jerusalem Day, the day of unity for all Muslims and for the liberation of Jerusalem, the Islamic society of the education department's 2d precinct has issued a statement referring to statements the nation's imam made in which he said Jerusalem Day is the day on which the banner of the Islamic Republic will be hoisted in all countries throughout the world.

The society's statement says: Jerusalem Day is the day on which the world's oppressed people should defeat the oppressors and regain their lost rights. It is the day on which dear Jerusalem should return to the bosom of Islam and be wiped clean of the Zionist occupiers. The members of the Islamic society of the Shiraz education department's 2d precinct praise this great day and announce that we will attend the auspicious march. Once again we will show our support for the lofty directives of Imam Khomeyni, the great leader of the revolution and the founder of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and for the struggling Muslim brothers and sisters of Palestine.

PLO Tehran Office Statement

JN062203 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1730 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Text of statement issued by the PLO office in Tehran on Jerusalem Day--date not given]

[Text] In the name of God, the merciful, the compassionate. Hold fast, all together, by the rope which God stretches out for you, and be not divided among yourselves. [Koranic verse] God has made it the destiny of the believers to declare jihad in every part of the land of Islam. God makes it the duty of Muslims to defend the oppressed Muslims everywhere.

Today, Jerusalem, from which the prophet ascended to heaven and in which Jesus, son of Mary, was brought up [words indistinct], is being exposed to an abominable aggression which attacks God's holy places, destroys mosques and changes them to Jewish synagogues in which evil acts are committed.

Thus, all believers should fight for God's sake and protect the holy places and the lands of Muslims. Who should defend the land of Islam better than the Islamic Revolution which raised the slogan: God is the greatest, God is the greatest?

The city of Jerusalem, which is now crying for help, does not find any response except words in newspapers and on radios. Jerusalem needs more than that. It needs those who consider its issue their issue, not the issue of others. It needs those who sympathize with it and feel its pains. It needs those who [words indistinct] work to eliminate the pain.

Muslims should be like one body; if one of its parts becomes sick, the other parts respond. Who will be this [word indistinct], who will sympathize with Jerusalem and its sons, feel their pains and work to rescue them? Is there any city to be associated with Jerusalem more than Qom? Therefore, we make known the document announcing that holy Jerusalem is the twin city of Qom--the city of science and the premises of the Islamic Revolution.

[Signed] The PLO office in Tehran

Ayatollah Shirazi Statement

JN061920 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1730 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Text of statement issued by Ayatollah Muhammad ibn al-Mahdi as-Husayn ash-Shirazi on 2 August on the occasion of Jerusalem Day]

[Text] In the name of God, the merciful, the compassionate. Our tortured and silent Iraqi people, masses of Islam everywhere: Observing the Jerusalem Day called for by Imam Khomeyni, may God preserve him, in the last week of the blessed month of Ramadan is a sacred duty of every Muslim in order to liberate all Palestine.

It is not important if the rescue comes late, pending the mobilization of their equipment and numbers. The crusaders stayed in Palestine for more than a century. Nevertheless, they were repulsed and the country returned to Islam.

Today, the grand Islamic march has proceeded from the Islamic Republic of Iran. It is therefore hoped that it will not be a long time when all the Muslim peoples get up and rid themselves of the dust of backwardness and laziness and unite under a world Islamic government. When that happens, Palestine will not be for the Zionists, nor will Eritrea, the Philippines, Lebanon, Afghanistan, Iraq and others be an arena for the Western and Eastern colonialist forces where they can do as they like. It will be then that the faithful will rejoice over God's victory.

The Muslims are dutybound to consider this day, the day of Jerusalem, as a day of prayer and supplication to Almighty God to rescue them from their mortal enemy, for God has said: Strongest among men in enmity to the believers wilt thou find the Jews and pagans. [Koranic verse] They must also consider it a day of activity and preparation for demostrations, leaflets, placards, congregations and speeches as well as a day for financial, military, organizational, [words indistinct] and other kinds of preparations.

Every country subjugated to dictatorship [words indistinct] Iraq, where the Ba'th--agent of Britian Israel and the United States--is in power. Let everyone do what he can. The peoples of such countries must be active to topple the dictatorship so that they will be able to perform this day's rituals as well as the rest of the Islamic rituals [words indistinct].

Let the Muslims know that as long as Israel is in Palestine, they will have no rest, for Israel is like cancer in the body that keeps spoiling it unless surgery, regardless of its pains and difficulty, is performed. It is our duty to prepare [words indistinct] to extract this cancer from the Muslim body. This will not be difficult with God's aid, for he is the one that grants success and aid.

2 August 1980

[Signed] Muhammad ibn al-Husayn ash-Shirazi

Jerusalem Committee Statement

JN061950 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1900 GMT 6 Aug 80

[Text] The committee for the immortalization of Jerusalem has issued its statement No 6, in which it calls on all world Muslims to go up to the roofs of their houses at 2200 tomorrow, Thursday, and repeat the call of God is the greatest for 15 minutes in order to get rid of the yoke of [word indistinct] and exploitation and to deprive U.S. imperialism and usurping Zionist Israel of sleep.

The statement said that the Iranian Muslim people have seen how dependance on Almighty God raised man to high heavenly ranks and destroys the earth's tyrants and the age's executioners. It added that the Iranian Muslim people have also seen how every shout of God is the greatest made by a child was a painful and deadly blow, disturbing and shaking the seat of this age's pharaoh, and how such a shout has liberated the Iranian society, which was tied down by the hateful shahdom's chains for 2,500 years.

The statement also said: This time we will shout the slogan of God is the greatest for the liberation of Palestine and Jerusalem, which is the Muslims' first point of focus of attention and which is now under the abominable Zionist occupation.

Muslim Students' Statement

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[Text] The 140th statement of the Muslim student followers of the Imam's policy has been issued in connection with Jerusalem Day and today's message by the imam of the nation, the great leader, Khomeyni, the leader of the oppressed people of the world, as follows:

In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. Jerusalem Day is the day of Islam, the day of the Islamic government. Jerusalem Day is a day on which we should warn all the superpowers that Islam will no longer be under your domination and under the domination of your wicked agents. If all the Muslim people pour a bucket of water over Israel they will destroy Israel. So says Imam Khomeyni. The day when all the forces existing in the world line up against each other, in such a way that there is one line forming a front composed of the forces of truth, the truth-loving divine forces and an opposite line of the satanic, arrogant and material forces, the divine, luminous forces will win over all the satanic forces which are immersed in darkness due to their originality and dur to having their roots in the depth of existence and due to the assistance and support of God, the Almighty, the all-blessed, whose hand of might is above all hands and above all powers.

"He is the manifest and the hidden and the beginning and the end." [verse from the Koran] It will be a holy day when there is complete separation between total truth and total blasphemy. Jerusalem Day reminds one of such a day; for in the words of the imam "Jerusalem Day is a day when truth is distinguished from falsehood." It is a day when all the Muslim nations throughout the world will rise up and become united and push back the superpowers and in the words of the imam "make them understand that they cannot make any advances in Islamic countries." Later, they should join a united rank with other oppressed people of the world through the establishment of a monotheistic ideology, and bring into being the universal day of mass confrontation with the oppressors and put these enemies of God and the people of God in their proper places and rub their noses in the dust. That holy day is not merely Palestine day, for the beloved, occupied Palestine is at the head of another program. [as heard] Which power rules over the dawning place of the revelation of prophets, namely, holy Mecca, other Islamic and beloved lands like Egypt, Lebanon, Iraq, Jordan, Afghanistan, Pakistan and other Islamic lands? All of them should be cleansed. Through our endeavor we should bring Jerusalem Day near. Jerusalem Day is the day of endeavor and the day of the oppressed people. Jerusalem Day is the day of universal cleansing. It is a day on which all the leaders of blasphemy and crime are thrown upon the garbage heap of history and when the great festival of victory and success of the Muslims and Islam and the oppressed people, under the leadership and guidance of the one property and treasure of God, namely, the lord of command, is celebrated throughout the world.

The usurping Israel is too trivial to hold itself up as an independent government. Israel should be destroyed. Confrontation with Israel is confrontation with America; the obliteration of Israel is the destruction and liberation of Arabia, those two qiblas, holy places of the Muslims; it means the destruction of America, and the destruction of America would mean struggling against the Eastern, aggressive Soviet Union, and the destruction of those two would mean the triumph of Islam and the establishment of Islamic government.

It is wrong to believe that we should merely try to prevent Israel from making Jerusalem its capital. Israel is a cancerous appendage among the Islamic nations and in the words of the imam "it should be destroyed as soon as possible." It is not a mere slogan to say that today the superpowers are isolated. It is a fact whose signs can be seen from every corner. The most important fact is that God's behest has decreed that government should be in the hands of oppressed people. The dawn of the government of the oppressed people has clearly appeared in Iran, this nation of blood, ideology and crusade. The uprising of the nations will bring about the immediate death of the oppressors. The general mobilization and regeneration of the nations would coincide with the destruction of wicked governments in Islamic countries, which would mean the death of the superpowers.

Today there is a heavy burden upon the shoulders of our Islamic nation, due to the mission which it has inherited as the result of the blood of tens of thousands of martyrs of the revolution and due to having such a wakeful leader and due to the important mission of achieving final victory and the obliteration of the world-devouring America, the aggressive Soviet Union and the usurping Israel and other satanic forces. This will be one of the most important duties of the government, to be formed in the near future, to pursue with the utmost care and endeavor, because the future government of Iran has an important role in the advancement of the Islamic ideology for whose sake all of us live, strive and breathe. It is not the first time that the tongue of Islam, the imam of the nation, the great Khomeyni, has warned of this in his messages and has set out the relevant principles. At the head of all the principles he has declared allegiance to ideology, decisiveness and commitment.

We should beware lest we fall short due to negligence or due to ignoring the principles which the imam has declared in implementing this great, divine duty. In such a case, it will have extensive repercussions.

On this great day we should do all that is within our power. With our cries, with our total existence we should make this day a reminder of the glorious day of the victory of Islam and the establishment of Islamic government; and we should glorify this day while fasting with enthusiasm. Wherever we are, whether here or in front of the palace of the great Satan or in other Islamic lands where dependent, mercenary governments currently rule over the nations, we should, through our participation in the demonstrations of this great day, reflect the dawn of that great universal day, Jerusalem Day, the day of the separation of truth from falsehood.

We beseech Almighty God for the victory of the oppressed people and the destruction of the oppressors.

[Signed] The Muslim student followers of the imam's policy

NVOI SUPPORTS DECISION OF MAJLES ON HOSTAGES

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[Unattributed commentary: "A Punch in the Mouth to the Officials of Mad U.S. Imperialism"]

[Text] Dear compatriots: Following the defeat of their seventh coup plot, the CIA planners have made use of representatives of the U.S. Congress in their operations precisely at a time when the barbarous and fascist U.S. police--in the true sense of the word--are engaged in taking revenge upon the Muslim and struggling Iranian students residing in the United States.

In their letter addressed to the representatives of Iran's Islamic Consultative Assembly, the representatives of the U.S. Congress, without an iota of shame, called on the representatives of the Majles to release the hostages and to establish friendly relations with the United States. As if this did not suffice, they spoke of the so-called great responsibility of the representatives of the Majles in this connection. This impudence of the representatives of world-devouring U.S. imperialism has rightly caused the strong anger and disgust of the representatives of the people and the true followers of the imam's path in the Islamic Consultative Assembly. The representatives of the Majles rightly say that these gentlemen representatives of the U.S. Congress, who had a hand in all the crimes, aggressions, plots and coups of world-devouring U.S. imperialism against the existence of the system of our homeland's Islamic Republic; these people who have repeatedly protested officially over the execution of the enemies of the masses and the nations' executioners and the plunderers of the nation's wealth like the Hoveydas, the Nassiris, the Moqqadams and the Alqanians; these gentlemen who have given instruction for the payment of 1 billion dollars from Iran's frozen assets in U.S. banks to pay the cost of the deployment of U.S. naval warships in the Persian Gulf region; how can such individuals ask Iran's Islamic Consultative Assembly for the establishment of friendly relations with aggressive U.S. imperialism and demand the release of the histage?

Following the defeat of its seventh coup plot, U.S. imperialism has now once more resorted to political and (?economic) methods. The United States knows quite well that since the application of force, pressure, threats and aggression has no effect on the unwavering will and faith of our fighting nation, and on the contrary any military intervention and economic pressure makes our brave people more united, it (?occasionally) enters through the door of conciliation and manifestation of a peaceful solution to the crisis between the two countries.

Without doubt, the United States is pinning its hopes of implementing this plan on some compromising domestic circles. We all know that on one of the most important problems of the Iranian revolution, which is the issue of U.S. imperialism and the hostages, the liberals, including those in this same Majles, have always supported and continue to support compromise and release of the hostages and the creation of a speedy understanding with the United States and its allies.

Iran's Islamic Consultative Assembly has been meeting for only a short time; however, even during this period the liberals have again shown their true nature in many cases. The liberals' defense of individuals like the Khosrow Qashqa'is and the Maraqe'is alone divulges the secret of numerous developments. The decision of Iran's Islamic Consultative Assembly to delay review of the letter from the representatives of the U.S. Congress and to appoint the supreme judicial council to complete the preliminaries for the trial of the American spies is a very proper measure and a hard punch in the mouth of the officials of mad U.S. imperialism. By approving this consistent and decisive measure of Iran's Islamic Consultative Assembly the true forces of the revolution demand more decisiveness in the struggle against U.S. imperialism and in the fulfillment of the demands of the Iranian nation.

The Iranian nation demands that the facts of the plundering, subversive and espionage activities of the Americans in Iran during more than 30 years be exposed to the judgment of public opinion. The imam of the nation, the great Khomeyni, has referred the determination of the fate of the American hostages to the Islamic Consultative Assembly. In his speeches and statements Imam Khomeyni has repeatedly demanded the extradition of the deposed shah and his plundered wealth to the Iranian nation. Our heroic nation, during its enthusiastic demonstrations and with its clenched fists, has repeated the imam's demands. In a message to Iran's Consultative Assembly the Muslim students followers of the imam's policy also have demanded a decisive decision on the hostages without any fear of the threats of criminal America. Now the expectation of the Iranian nation is that the crimes of the United States in Iran will be exposed to world public opinion and progressive mankind through the mass media and judicial courts both at the state level and at the international level. The one-sided agreements that the United States imposed on the Iranian nation and the various interventions of the United States in Iran's affairs, the plundering oil agreements and thousands of other documents and proofs reveal the crimes and plunderings of this world-devouring America, and the witnesses of these crimes and plunderings are more than 30 million individuals and the families of tens of thousands of Iranian martyrs. The way for world-devouring U.S. imperialism to return to Iran should be closed forever.

How well did the imam of the nation, the great Khomeyni, state that whatever misfortune we have is due to the United States, and for what do we need relations with America?

BRIEFS

LOANS TO FARMERS--Statistics published by the Khorramshahr branch of the Khuzestan Agricultural Cooperative Bank show that during the first 4 months of the current Iranian year, 116 million rials were loaned to 703 farmers. This figure shows an 80-percent increase in the number of loans and a 41-percent increase in the amount of money loaned in comparison with the same period last year. [Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian 1230 GMT 6 Aug 80 GF]

KAZERUN AGRICULTURAL LOANS--During the past Iranian month, 141 loans amounting to 8,140,000 rials were extended to farmers in Kazerun, and 12,722,000 rials were loaned to Eqlid farmers. [Shiraz Domestic Service in Persian 1400 GMT 6 Aug 80 GF]

EDUCATION MINISTER CALLS FOR MAJLES SUPREMACY

WA050009 Tehran TIMES 5 Jul 80 p 2

[By Abbas Barazandeh]

[Text] Tehran--Minister of Education Mohammad 'Ali Raja'i yesterday said that the Islamic Assembly should be the highest body to decide all matters concerning the nation.

He was addressing a gathering at Friday prayers at the Tehran university. He hoped that the Islamic assembly will remain a supreme body in the country.

Raja'i said that the Iranian revolution is unique and added that our leader is also our religious leader. He said that being a religious leader we all follow him.

The minister, comparing the present situation with that of the time Dr Mohammad Mossadeq, said that besides all his popularity Mossadeq was a political leader and not a religious leader.

He said that the Iranian revolution was not for a change of political party and that the revolution was not for economic or materialistic gains.

Raja'i said: "We brought the revolution under the leadership of the imam.... It's based on the Islamic philosophy."

In this period, he said, people will not allow schools built on public funds to impart anti-Islamic education there.

He said that a large number of people from this country have sacrificed their lives for the sake of this revolution and recalled that during revolutionary activities they were chanting slogans of "Khoda (God), Koran and Khomeyni" which clearly indicates the basic objective of the people.

Raja'i said that the anti-revolutionaries are busy today misguiding the people using various tactics and added that the people however, know now as to what to do to meet the present situation.

All government ministries and organizations must be based on Islamic philosophy and the people should follow Islamic principles.

Seyed Ali Khamene'i, Friday prayer leader said that the holy months of Ramadan is near at hand (starting from July 14) and added that this is the month which teaches us sacrifice.

He said that we should make ourselves ready for this holy month.

Addressing especially the women, Khamene'i said that Islam gives us quite a different way of life which we must follow. He said that those women who do not follow the Islamic principles in terms of dress and behavior should understand that they were acting against Islam.

He appealed to all women to follow Islamic ways of dress and behavior.

He said that Iranian women have presented a unique example of sacrifice and now it's their duty to maintain Islamic principles.

He said that the women who are working in government ministries and organizations should pay special attention towards Islamic dress as it is their duty to present an example to others.

Khamene'i said that women have written letters to him in which they drew attention towards the dress of the men. He appealed to the men and said that the men should also wear reasonable dresses and avoid dresses which are not suitable.

STUDENTS CONDEMN MOJAHEDIN-E KHALQ IN STATEMENT 137

WA050010 Tehran TIMES in English 9 Jul p 1

[Text] Tehran--Muslim students following the line of the imam in their 137th statement issued yesterday and broadcast over the national radio made a closely reasoned attack on the Mojahedin-e Khalq organization asking whether the fact of its having a few Muslims as members of the organization gave it a right to claim that its very basis was founded on Islamic principles.

Apologizing for the delay in coming out with the statement the Muslim students said that it had become necessary to issue the statement in view of the illogical explanations made by the Mojahedin-e Khalq organization in response to the "explicit remarks of the imam" on that organization. They said that the responses which they viewed "with deep regret" did not prove the honesty and sincerity of those who issued them, in contrast to the "honest remarks made by the imam."

The statement, in a resume of the course of the Islamic Revolution, said that it had been built up over 16 years with many ups and downs culminating finally in its success under the leadership of the imam. The revolution, with a total Islamic identification, ushered in the undisputed leadership of the imam, accepted by the Muslim nation, the establishment of an Islamic Republic and made real the unity of word and solidarity of the nation, it said. Besides, it said the revolution laid low once and for all counter-revolutionaries who were henchmen of the former shah, and backed by imperialism of the U.S.

Then the statement proceeded to ask what place the Mojahedin-e Khalq had in this great, glorious and historical revolution. "What was its precise location and was it within or outside this divine movement?" the statement queried. "If it is the former then why does it is the former then why does it conflict with great epoch making event?" it asked again with unremitting logic. If, on the other hand, it was outside the movement of the revolution, it asked what advantages did the Mojahedin-e Khalq organization have for the deprived masses over the movement led by the imam, which was in itself inherently revolutionary.

The Muslim students said that the mojahedin made a number of claims, the most crucial of which was that they were themselves in the forefront of the movement which dethroned the former imperial regime backed by imperialist forces giving the organization the leadership of the Islamic political struggle. They said that the mojahedin, in Marxist fashion, traced the beginnings of their organization to June 5, 1963, when the fall of the bourgeoisie,"represented by the bazaaris" and the clergy was foreshadowed.

The students challenged the reality of these statements, asking how the Mojahedin-e Khalq organization could claim Islamic leadership when the activities of the organization have always been and still are in contradiction to the Islam which the imam speaks of and the Islam of the people.

The statement called in question the deception the Mojahedin-e Khalq organization employed in subscribing to the principles of the Islamic religion, which emphasizes oneness, but follows a different line altogether, taking its inspiration from Marxist philosophy which was something quite other, and which has been rejected by the imam. It said that the leaders of the organization, if they do not return to the arms of Islam despite the imam's remarks, either "do not have the courage to call themselves Marxists," or are not honest in what they propose to their supporters."

The Muslim students said in the statement that the Mojahedin-e Khalq organization had called the clergy reactionary and attacked "this blessed tree," which the imam, aware as he was of the weaknesses of the clergy, always supported. They said the organization attacked the clergy in the same way that the shah and his father did.

Finally, addressing those supporters who, through love of Islam, were taken in by the deception of the Mojahedin-e Khalq organization, they said the highest position of a Muslim was to surrender to God and righteousness and asked of them not to be deceived by mere slogans.

KIOSK OPERATORS FIGHT CLOSURE RULING

WA050005 Tehran TIMES in English 12 Jul 80 p 1

[Text] Tehran--A number of persons suffered knife or bullet injuries following Thursday night's demonstrations by owners of kiosks in the city against a law which set a deadline of 48 hours last Wednesday for them to close the unauthorized booths.

Nearly 200 kiosk owners were said to have gathered opposite the Tehran municipality on Dr Hossein Fatemi Avenue and broken into the premises, removing files and papers on the 1st floor of the building and setting them of fire.

The demonstrators chanted a number of slogans in which they said: "Closure of kiosks without giving us jobs is wrong," "Khomeini, Khomeini, our redresser," and "We want a kiosk owners council."

The chief of Tehran's police himself appeared on the scene and a number of revolutionary guards arriving there dispersed the unruly crowd around 10 pm on Thursday night.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SHOWS LARGE INCREASE

WA300003 Tehran TIMES in English 10 Jul 80 p 1

[Text] Tehran--Price indexes in several sectors of the nation's economy reflected changes over the year for the period April/May 1979, to April/May 1980, with consumer goods price indexes showing fairly sharp increases while indexes for sectors dependent on oil such as transportation remained steady. Price indexes for educational facilities and food cereals also kept a steady level.

The general price index for commodity goods has shown an increase of 26 per cent compared to last year. The price indices on commodity groups were affected mostly by price increases for meat whose price index shot up by 36 per cent, of fresh fruit and vegetables whose price index figure showed a steep increase of 17 per cent, and that of bread which went up by 16 per cent over the year for this period. The price index for rice showed an increase of 36 and 1/2 per cent in this period, dairy products 21 and 1/2 per cent, dried fruits 75 per cent, food in restaurants and public eating places 25 per cent, tobacco products 107 per cent.

Another group that had severly adverse impacts on the consumer price indexes of the nation was the runaway increases in prices for silk and cotton items which shot up 45 per cent, woolens by 27 per cent and household appliances, which registered 26 per cent increases during the last year.

Housing was a sector which made a huge dent on the economy with the index on wages for construction workers going up by 18 per cent, bricks by 90 per cent, iron and steel window frames, 17 per cent, building irons 25 percent. House rents, though they did not register as sharp an increase, showed a 9 and 1/2 per cent increase from last year.

Price indexes for services in the nation for the year went up by 11 per cent all round.

Indexes for cereals showed a decrease for the year.

It is believed that the drop in the grain level indexes together with the stable prices which were maintained through the year for sectors dependent on oil like transportation and other facilities, and also of increases in the service price index figures, helped to stabilize the general price index for the nation indicating an overall increase of only 17 per cent.

An analysis of the price indices figures showed that the general index for April/May 1980 compared to April/May 1979, showed that the increase stood at 16 8 per cent.

WASTELAND TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO NEEDY TENANTS

WA050004 Tehran TIMES in English 13 Jul 80 p 2

[Text] Tehran--A total of 5,700,000 square meters of wasteland will be distributed to needy landowners who have applied for land from the Urban Land Development Organization in the Central Province, it was announced by the Housing and Urban Development Ministry.

The distribution of land has been made possible by the implementation of new laws pertaining to land ownership and acquisition by the ministry.

Under the new scheme to be implemented, a total of 155,000 square meters of land in the capital will come under the Housing Foundation and a further 50,000 square meters devoted to the construction of school buildings in 10 units.

An extent of 2,500 square meters have been acquired for the Ministry of Arts and Culture to be used for the construction of libraries and 8,000 square meters for construction of stores and facilities for use by the Health Ministry.

In the city of Arak, 4,000 square meters are to be used for the erection of a city market and 150,000 square meters as sites for orphanages coming under the Physical Education Office. An area of 140,000 square meters has been earmarked for an industrial estate in the same city.

In Arak again, 4,000 square meters are to be given to construction of religious sites, 40,000 square meters for hospitals and 414,000 square meters to the Arak Science Institute for the construction of a central university for the province.

Individual housing units will receive 40,702 square meters of acquired land and 5 million square meters reserved for the construction of a planned Arak worker's city which will provide quarters and facilities for nearly 5,000 individuals under the plan.

IMAM'S DEVELOPMENT OFFICE SUBSIDIZES PROJECTS

WA050008 Tehran TIMES in Persian 13 Jul 80 p 2

[Text] Isfahan--A total of 9,799 rials has been allocated by the imam's development office for the implementation of development projects in the Isfahan Province, it was announced by the imam's development office yesterday.

The announcement said that this amount which was distributed towards projects in the city and in villages located in the provinces were released during the first 3 months of the current Iranian year.

Among the projects were the provision of adequate drinking water facilities in the area, provision of traffic lights and erection of mosques and buildings as washing places of corpses.

The funds have also been used for dredging to provide proper ground drainage and the purchase and laying of industrial pipe lines and the drilling of wells. A water pipeline has been laid out to connect with the sports stadium in the city and the post office has been freshly plastered over.

In addition new street sidewalks and ..erbs have been constructed and roads asphalted from these funds. Asphalting has also been done on the volleyball and football grounds in the city.

In the village of Vandadeh on the outskirts of the city there has been a fresh drinking water scheme laid out.

It was said that the total of 1,480 million rials has been spent on asphalting in one area alone and further amounts of 1,209 million and 1 million in other areas for asphalting, walling and repairs to roads.

A number of projects have yet to be completed and credits have been requested of 19,200 million rials on these.

73,000 TONS OF GOODS UNLOADED IN MAY, JUNE

WA300001 Tehran TIMES in English 7 Jul 80 p 2

[Text] Tehran--A total of 1 million tons of goods have been unloaded at the 7 commercial ports in the south and north of the country for the period May/June, 1980, a port and shipping line organization announcement said yesterday.

The announcement said further that 73,000 tons of goods were loaded on to ships at these ports for export out of the country.

It also said that 1.2 million tons were transported from the wharves in ports of the interior of the country and to the center during the same period. The difference is accounted for by the backlog lying at wharves.

Ships entering the different ports of the country in May and June of the current year totalled 149, the announcement said.

Bandar Khomeyni was the busiest of the ports in the country during the same period. Loading and unloading at this port amounted 467,000 tons and 55,000 tons respectively, for May and June.

AGRICULTURAL LOANS GRANTED TO FARMERS

WA300002 Tehran TIMES in English 8 Jul 80 p 2

[Text] Hamadan--A loan totalling 72,600 million rials has been given to the farmers because of the agricultures consumption announced by the supervisor of Agriculture Development Bank of Hamadan Province yesterday.

He announced the statistics of activities the third month of the current year of the agriculture bank in Touriskan Province and he said this bank has given about 72,600 million rials because of kinds of agriculture consumption to agricultures, of which about 22,800 million has been in the form of supervision plans and 69 agricultures advantaged that because of fulfilment of 21 plans in 28 villages. [sentence as published]

He added that the paid loan has been used for the agriculture current consumption, such as irrigation, poultry, dairy, cattle breeding, gardening, purchasing the agriculture machines and establishment and village handicraft and technical and professional service development and other basic activities and agriculture infrastructure (substructure).

He added a total of 7 million rials was collected from the assets of this bank.

MEAT ORGANIZATION PROVIDES MORE MUTTON, BEEF

WA050003 Tehran TIMES in English 13 Jul 80 p 2

[Text] Tehran--The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development in a press release yesterday, warned all butcher's and foodstuff syndicates in the city not to create trouble in the distribution of meat and foodstuffs in the city and to ensure their smooth and equitable distribution, reports said yesterday.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development appealed to revolutionary committees and all good Muslims to cooperate with the ministry in this respect.

The reports said that the meat organization was now providing some 400 tons of the best quality mutton from sheep and some 200 tons of beef, which represents an 150 ton increase compared to last year.

It was said that the increase in supplies had eased considerably the consumers' difficulties in regard to obtaining meat in the city.